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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

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DEATH.
At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on the
2nd April, 1901, ALFRED SMITH, Wharfinger,
China Merchants' Lower Hongkow Wharf, aged
37 years.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 27th April, 1901.

The intimations received from time to time as to the intentions of the Chinese Court with regard to its place of residence are most conflicting, and either indicate a great want of accurate information on the part of the news-purveyors or an amazing amount of indecision on the part of the Emperor, Empress Dowager, and their advisers. First it was reported that they would leave Hsianfu for Kansu, then for Chengtu, then that they would return to Peking, next that they would constitute the city of Hsianyang in Northern Hupeh, as the capital, and now once again that though the Court has made arrangements to leave Hsianfu at once its destination is kept secret. This would seem rather to strengthen the report that Peking is to be abandoned as the capital. The present temporary capital, Hsianfu, is of course out of the question, though it possesses some of the qualifications necessary for the seat of Government of a great Empire. It is a large walled city, built on a vast plain and laid out in the shape of a parallelogram, the walls being massive and well built, flanked by lofty towers, and about ten miles in circumference. It contains about a quarter of a million inhabitants and is the seat of a considerable trade, mainly, however, of a retail character. The south-western section contains the residence of numerous opulent families and persons of rank, many of them retired officials. In the western section of the city is settled a large number of Mahomedans, and from them the ranks of the military officers are largely recruited. Some of the buildings have a good deal of antiquarian interest, and there are many noteworthy places in it. But, on the other hand, Hsianfu is a great distance from the other centres of population, and is difficult to reach. The latter objection would, of course, fade away if railway communication were once established across the great intervening plains from the coast, but the time for such enterprises has not yet arrived, and even if it had come, it is doubtful whether the position of the city would be deemed suitable from a

The U.S. gunboat *Isla de Luzon* returned from Canton yesterday.

The transports *Canning* and *Umta* will arrive here early next month to convey the detailed troops to India.

Arrangements have been made by the military authorities to transport the Bikarai troops back to India, and they will leave Taku by an early B.I. boat, which will run from Calcutta direct.

H.M.S. *Centurion* arrived in harbour late on Thursday from Woosnag and will at once undergo repairs for the damage received on the night of the 17th inst., when she collided during a gale with the ram of H.M.S. *Glory*.

The 15th Southern Division, R.A., will not proceed home during the present trooping season. They are under orders to go to Kowloon for Calcutta as soon as a transport is available.

We call the attention of the investing public to the fact, in connection with the conversion of Mr. William Powell's business into a Limited Liability Company, that the share lists close on Tuesday next, the 30th inst. Particulars will be found in another column.

We have been requested to call attention to an important alteration in the programme of the Brough Company at the Theatre Royal. It will be seen from the announcement in another column that the excessive heat has induced Mr. Brough to give up the performances intended for Wednesday and Friday next. The remaining fixtures are: To-day and Monday next, *The Second Mrs. Tanqueray*; Tuesday, *The Amazons*; Saturday, *An Ideal Husband*; Monday, 6th prox., *Sowing the Wind*; Tuesday, 7th prox., *A Village Priest*; Wednesday, 8th prox., *Nobie*. Last night *The Adventure of Lady Ursula* was repeated, and in spite of the unpleasantness of the season a good house assembled, being amply rewarded for their attendance by the excellent entertainment provided.

strategic point of view. Hsianyang, so far as position goes, does, on the other hand, recommend itself as very suitable for the seat of Government. Although now only a prefectural city of shrunken size and no great trade, it is well situated in Northern Hupeh on the banks of the river Han, about one hundred and eighty miles from the junction of that waterway with the Yangtze at Hanyang and Hankow. The Han is navigable for light-draft boats probably up to Hsianyang, and is therefore fairly accessible from the great Yangtze ports, while it is sufficiently remote to afford the Imperial Court a certain measure of the seclusion desired. Hsianyang may be said to lie almost in the core of the Empire, and without being near the sea coast to be within easy access of the great centres of population of Mid-China. Seated there, the Emperor and Court would at any rate be far removed from the great neighbour whose pressure is already beginning to be felt so inconveniently.

Naturally the princes of the present dynasty would be loth to leave Peking, which lies so near the Manchurian provinces, the ancient patrimony of the Manchu Emperors. But safety is usually preferred to sentiment, and if the Emperor cannot feel that he is free to act as he pleases while living in the capital of his race, he probably would not hesitate long to transfer the Court to what he considered a more secure resting place. And though Hsianyang is decayed and fallen now, it still has great historic memories and associations. According to a correspondent of our Shanghai morning contemporary, the principal historic associations of this city are with the era of the Three Kingdoms (circa A.D. 200), the heroes of which yield to those of no other period in the popular estimation. Around it armies encamped; and both within and without its walls prodigies of valour were performed, on which the Chinese love to dwell in story, song, or drama. Under a vigorous and reforming monarch the ancient glories of the place might be revived, and Hsianyang again become a great and busy city. It is not unfavourably placed for trade, and if brought into regular and speedy communication with the Yangtze Valley would no doubt speedily regain a great deal of its former importance.

The Treaty Powers, with the exception perhaps of Russia, would be glad to see a transfer of the capital to some place nearer the centre of the Empire and more in touch with the great marts than Peking, which is quite isolated from all important trade centres with the exception of Tientsin. The scheme to fortify the Legations at Peking and to keep open the lines of communication between the metropolis and the sea would not be an easy one, and it would involve a very considerable initial outlay as well as heavy cost annually for maintenance. Possibly at a new capital, away from the anti-foreign influences which obtain in Peking, it might not be considered necessary to fortify the Legations against attack. However that may be, it is obviously in the interests of progress and reform that the seat of Government should be transferred to some other centre than Peking, some city more representative of the Chinese nation, and more open to the civilising influences of the Western world.

The Band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening, from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Programme:—
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Valse—"Darling Mabel" ... Williams
Song—"The Flight of Ages" ... Cowen
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Extra—
Selection—"San Toy" ... Jones
—"God Save the King."

An *Asahi* telegram states that when the movements of the Russian Squadron in connection with the demand for Chinkaiwan ceased, about 15 marines were left in Massampo, and these men are still there. Mr. Kato, Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, has reminded the Russian Minister to Tokyo that the stationing of these men there is a violation of treaty pledges, and it is understood that they will be withdrawn shortly.

Some philanthropic Jews of Shanghai, interested in the remnant of a Jewish community at Kaifengfu, Honan, at last succeeded in bringing a member of the Honan community to Shanghai in order that they might learn the real condition of their affairs. The man who came is, however, said to be "indistinguishable from a heathen." He was so afraid to come that a native Christian named Chu had to accompany him to comfort him on the way.

Running a Chinese hand-laundry in London seems an unfortunate speculation. One was started recently by Messrs. Benjamin Lee Scheff, with a number of branches. The affairs of the laundry, however, are now in the hands of the official receiver. It was stated that neither of the debtors had surrendered to the proceedings, and Mr. F. W. Henry, on behalf of the trustee, applied for a warrant for their arrest. The case was adjourned indefinitely.

The addresses at Singapore presented to the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York and their presenters were as follows:—Municipal Commissioners—By Mr. J. O. Antonius; Chamber of Commerce—By Mr. W. P. Waddell; European, Eurasian and Armenian Community (British subjects)—By Mr. T. Scott; Chinese—By Mr. Seah Liang Seah, or Mr. Tan Jiaok Kim; Arab—By Syed Mohamed Alsagoff; Malay—By Tengku Ali; F.M.S. Chinese—By the Captain China of Selangor, Hindoo—By Chinjiapoor Muncher, M.I. or Hejee Bhoy Phatian; Chitties—By V. Murgau A.K.M. Verops Chitty.

It is understood that Mr. Charles Bertram has been ordered to give a performance of his wonderful conjuring before the Japanese Emperor.

The transport *Clavering* will, according to present arrangements, pick up the pom-poms at Shanghai on her journey northward, and take them to Taku.

Orders have been received in Hongkong placing the Field Controller's Office, which is now encamped at Scandal Point, on the transport list for Tientsin.

We regret owing to the misreading of a word in his letter, our correspondent "Hodie" was made to speak of "the discussion of the personnel of the missionary ladies in China" instead of "missionary bodies."

We have received from the *Straits Times* office a good photograph printed on art paper by process block of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, in commemoration of their recent visit to Singapore.

During the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday there were reported 13 fresh cases of plague, with 9 deaths (Chinese); and two fresh cases of small-pox, with one death (Chinese). The figures for the year now stand as follows—Plague, 187 cases, 171 deaths; small-pox, 75 cases, 49 deaths.

Taichow has long been the scene of war between Protestant and Roman converts. Now the Yangtze followers of the latter Church, to the number of a thousand, are reported to have given battle to a thousand Protestant. Two deputies went to the scene with soldiers and exhorted them to peace.

Captain William Henry May, R.N., M.V.O., Director of Naval Ordnance, has been selected for the appointment of Controller of the Navy, in succession to Rear-Admiral A. K. Wilson, V.C., C.B., who will relieve Vice-Admiral Sir H. Rawson, K.C.B., in the command of the Channel Squadron. Captain May was Flag-Captain on the China Station 1888-90.

General Yatsumi and Captains Kayomi and Matsui, of the Japanese army, who are now on a visit to the United States, have been recalled by their Government. General Yatsumi, in an interview which is published in the *Sun*, said that, according to the communications which he had received from his Government, he thought a conflict with Russia was inevitable.

It is considered in Government circles at St. Petersburg that the present influence of Russia in Mongolia tends to make it a suitable moment for the establishment of a Russian Consulate in Kholo. The same opportunity could be used for the starting of six branches of the Russian Chinese Bank in different towns of Mongolia, with the usual agencies of the Finance Ministry attached thereto.

Mr. Holt L. Hallatt complains of the dilatoriness in issuing Consular Reports. Recently he enquired for the latest consular trade reports of Shanghai and Chinkaiwan, and learnt that none had been published since July, 1899. On 14th March he enquired for the latest Foreign Office report on the trade of China, and was informed that the latest was for the year 1896, which was published in 1898.

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A meeting of the China League was held at Birmingham, under the auspices of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, on the 27th ult., and was addressed by Mr. B. A. Verburgh, M.P., chairman of the League. He explained the objects of the League, and denied that it was in any sense a jingo organization. The League desired the integrity of China and the development of its trade, by proper government. He quoted figures to show the vast trade the British Empire had in the trade of China, which offered the greatest neutral market in the world. The amount of trade which might be done there was really staggering if it were only developed to the extent already done in Japan. He advocated especially in the Yangtze-kiang region the "Egyptianisation" of the country, or the leading of financial experts to the country in order to put its finances on a proper basis, as in Egypt. He advocated also the opening of inland waterways to navigation by foreign vessels, and said that the promises made in this connection had been broken. The present crisis offered an opportunity for a settlement, and if reforms were taken in hand enormous increase in trade would be the result. It was imperative, however, that the position of the Viceroy in favour of reform should be guaranteed until they had time to operate; otherwise when we left Peking they would be recalled to the capital and their heads would be forfeited.

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China may be excused if she regards the suggested bargain of the Allies with her as formed on the Western principle of "Treat you win, heads I lose."—*Globe*.

General Pau, a notorious insurgent chief in the Philippines, has surrendered to the United States authorities. He has been engaged lately in an extended tour through China.

Among the arrivals at Singapore last Saturday, in view of the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, were Mr. Hugh Clifford, the Sultan of Pahang, and a number of Malay chiefs from the Negri Sembilan.

Mr. Gilmore, third officer of the British steamer *Ajaz*, has been sentenced at Yokohama to fifteen days' rigorous imprisonment for assaulting a Japanese coolie working on the *Ajaz* on the 9th inst. and incapacitating him for over two weeks.

The 5th of next month is the date of the King of Siam's departure for Java. The King will travel by the royal yacht, accompanied by the *Makut Rajakumar*, the *Sugrib* and the *Chaiwroca*. The visit will probably extend to about a month and a half.

We have received a copy of an interesting pamphlet on Chinese Jurisprudence, being an address delivered by H.E. Wu Ting-fang, Chinese Minister at Washington, before the New York State Bar Association on the 15th January. H.E. Wu gives a very lucid exposition on the subject.

The U.S. War Department has placed orders with Vickers, Sons, and Maxim for a large number of guns to be used in the Philippines. This is accepted as a sign of determination to re-open a vigorous campaign against the remaining insurrectos in the Archipelago when General Chaffee succeeds General MacArthur in supreme command.

The P. and O. steamer *Jazz* arrived at Plymouth on 26th inst. with four officers and twenty-four naval invalids and thirty-eight military invalids from China. Of the number, six sailors and three soldiers were wounded. The remainder were suffering from fever, dysentery, and other climatic diseases. The naval invalids were landed at Plymouth for treatment, and the others proceeded to London.

The following appointments have been made at the Admiralty: Lieutenants A. P. Sollett to *Tamer*, and D. M. Hamilton to *President*, additional as flag lieutenant to Vice-Admiral Sir C. A. G. Bridge, Commander-in-Chief on China Station, to date 10th April. Fleet Engineer W. H. Skinner to the *Talbot*, to date 10th April. Staff Surgeon—T. Asten to the *Talbot*, to date 10th April. Surgeon—J. A. Forrest to the *Talbot*.

A French writer in one of the Parisian evening journals last month praises the moderation of England in dealing with Russia over the Tientsin incident. He attributes this statesmanlike attitude to Lord Lansdowne, and considers it as proof that in appointing him to the Foreign Office Lord Salisbury was determined to break away from the practices of a brutal Imperialism [as exhibited in Great Britain's policy in China].

The *Rossiya* announces that the Russian Ministry of Marine intends to construct at an early date in one of the harbours on the Pacific coast two docks large enough to turn out warships with a displacement of nearly 3,000 tons. The number of dry docks available for repairing warships will be increased, and special attention given to improving the conditions of shipbuilding generally in the Russian harbours in the Far East.

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS]

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

THE ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP
"SOBRAON".

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS".

Hongkong, 26th April.

SIR,—Having read in to-night's issue of the *China Mail* the news of the stranding of the magnificent P. & O. liner *Sobraon* I was astonished at Mr. A. Ritchie approaching as he did the naval authorities for the use of a torpedo-boat of good speed to act as a despatch vessel. What do the Hongkong shipowners keep the lighthouse tender *Stanley* for? Has not the P. & O. Co. paid more light dues than any other company, and may they not the *moral right* to demand the use of the lighthouse tender now in their days of adversity? Could not the relief of the lighthouses be taken during her absence by the *Stanley* as hitherto, or is the *Stanley* to be kept exclusively as the Government's ship? I understand she is commanded by a merchant's officer, which may cause less friction in running despatch vessels, than were she a vessel of H.M. fleet. I contend the P. & O. Company, which pays for her, has the right to some consideration. Yours, etc.

EVOLUTION.

POLICE COURT.

Friday, 26th April.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

THE VITRIOL OUTRAGE.

The hearing of the charge against George Allen was resumed.

Young Kun, fitter, employed at the Naval Yard, was the first witness examined. He said he was the younger brother of Young Kun, who is now undergoing a sentence of three years' imprisonment for complicity in the assault upon Mr. Rock. Witness deposed that he received a letter from his brother after the latter was sent to goal on 3rd April, no thought. After reading this letter witness went to see the defendant, at half-past seven on the evening of the same day. Witness told the defendant that he (the latter) owed Young Kun \$80, and that the money was needed to support the convict's family. Witness asked for \$100, as he wanted to engage a lawyer. The defendant, on learning that he proposed to engage Mr. Robinson, advised him to engage Mr. Francis. The defendant then gave the witness \$100, for which the latter did not sign a receipt—not, in fact, being asked to do so. Mr. Hastings had no questions.

Mr. T. J. Wild, assistant Government-legal, detailed the results of his examination of the stains on the suit of clothing worn by Mr. Rock when the vitriol was thrown over him. His evidence was similar to that given at the first hearing of the case.

No questions by Mr. Hastings.

Mr. J. Hays, solicitor and managing clerk in the firm of Johnson, Streat, and Master, said he defended Young Kun at the Police Court on the charge of procuring Le Tsui to throw a corrosive fluid on Mr. Rock. Witness was also engaged when the case went to the Criminal Sessions. On the day previous to the Sessions, 17th April, he was in his room at the office, when the defendant was shown in. Witness asked him his name, and he replied that it was Allen. In answer to a question as to what he wanted, the defendant said—"I think you are acting on behalf of Young Kun." Witness replied—"Yes." Defendant then asked if all fees had been paid, and was told that they had. He asked witness if he required any more money and was answered in the negative. He further said that if any more money was required he would be willing to pay it. Witness asked—"Why are you so interested in the matter—an affair that concerns only a coolie?" The reply was—"I am interested in him; I have known him a long time." He continued—"Supposing you are successful in getting Young Kun off at the Sessions, would you expect any more money?" and was answered—"No, we do not take up cases on spec." "If you did want it," the defendant once more said, "I should be very pleased to pay it." On this, he asked—"The names of some Europeans have been mentioned, haven't they?" Witness said that was the case, and the defendant asked—"What are their names?" Information on this point, however, was refused, upon which the defendant asked—"Have you any means of making Young Kun hold his tongue?" Witness replied—"No, I cannot put my hand over his mouth and stop his speaking. I can only advise him as to what statements to make or not to make at his trial." Defendant asked witness to do what he could to keep the names of the Europeans in the background. He was assured that no names would be mentioned at all, unless in Young Kun's interests or in the interests of justice. "It would be rather hard," said the defendant, "if my name were brought up, after finding the money." No further conversation passed, and the defendant left the office.

In answer to Captain May, the witness said that forty minutes after he had gone to short dictate the defendant's statements to a shorthand clerk and had them typewritten. Cross-examined by Mr. Hastings:—"Have you the statement with you?—Yes. (Statement produced and perused by Mr. Hastings.) You defended Young Kun all through, didn't you?—Yes." Did he plead guilty at the commencement?—No." When did he determine, or you advise him, to plead guilty?—On the afternoon of 17th April.

The day before the case came on at the Criminal Sessions?—Yes.

Had Young Kun made any statement at the Police Court in his defence?—No.

Now, before 17th April, had Young Kun or anyone on his behalf, made a statement to the police?—No. He made a statement both to myself and to counsel, but it was kept secret.

When was the defendant arrested?—On the night of the 17th, I think.

Do you know who gave the information on which he was arrested?—Yes. I gave one statement—the one you have just looked through to Mr. May.

I suppose you gave Young Kun's statement at the same time?—I did.

Was it in consequence of what Mr. May said at the interview that Young Kun pleaded guilty?—I advised him to plead guilty, but not on account of what Mr. May said.

Was Young Kun told by you or by anybody else that if he pleaded guilty he would get off with a lighter sentence?—Not by me, nor by anyone else, so far as I know.

You are aware of what the Chief Justice said at the Sessions—that if it was found on further investigation that Young Kun's

statement regarding Europeans was well founded, the Governor would probably take his sentence into consideration?—Yes, I remember.

Had Young Kun been told anything to that effect before he pleaded guilty?—Some statement was made, the purport of which was that if another man was at the bottom of it, he had better make a clean breast of it, so that if any person had instigated him it might be taken into consideration by the judge in his sentence. We told him also that he had nothing whatever to rely upon in that, as we could make him promises.

In fact, you gave him to understand that he would get off with a lighter sentence if he disclosed something or other?—I advised him to speak the truth for his own sake.

Did Mr. May say he would get off more lightly?—No.

No further evidence was heard, and the case was adjourned until Tuesday, 30th inst., at 2.15 p.m.

SELLING LIQUOR WITHOUT A LICENCE.

Fong Fung, hawker, was charged with selling samshu without a licence at Muu To Kok, British Kowloon, on the 25th inst.

The defendant pleaded not guilty, but was convicted on the evidence of P. C. Ely, who gave a mess-boy from the Hongkong Police Station twenty cents to buy the samshu, and thus trap the suspected illicit dealer.

A fine of \$50, with the option of two months' hard labour, was imposed.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth say in their Weekly Share Report, dated Hongkong, 24th April:—Since our last report a good general business has been transacted at full rates, but towards the close there is a tendency to weaknes in one or two lines affected by the approach of the settlement.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have been placed at advancing rates up to 8 percent. premium for cash, but are now somewhat quiet at S\$82 per cent. premium. The London rates have advanced to £11 10s. 1d. Nationals have improved to 2.7, at which there are buyers.

MAINE INSURANCES.—The demand for Unions continues, but in spite of an advance in the rate to \$100 shares do not seem to be obtainable. China Traders have been placed at S\$7, and are now wanted at S\$7.5. Cantons have been sold, and are wanted at S\$6.

The unfortunate stranding of the P. & O. s.s. *Sobraon* reported to-day has, so far, had any visible effect on stocks under this head.

FIRE INSURANCES.—An unsatisfactory demand for Hongkong Fires has raised the rate to S\$33, but shares do not appear to be obtainable at the figure. China Fires have been sold and are wanted at S\$5.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been placed in moderate quantities at S\$5.

A demand for the stock continues, but buyers are endeavouring to get in at S\$4.5.

Indochina has continued in request, and sales have been effected up to S\$31 cash.

At the close there are a few sellers for the settlement at S\$29. China Manillas (old) are wanted at S\$5, and the new shares are obtainable at S\$2.

GERMAN AND FRENCH WITHDRAWALS.

The Germans in China are preparing to send home one Infantry Brigade. The French contemplate withdrawing 4,000 men at an early date.

INDEMNITY FROM CHINA TO JAPAN.

The Japanese Government has fixed the indemnity which Japan intends to claim from China; but the amount is kept secret.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE INTERNATIONAL GATHERING AT TOULON.

London, 11th April.

President Louvet and, subsequently, M. Delcasse visited the Duke of Genoa on the Flagship. The Duke of Genoa was banqueted in the evening at the Arsenal. President Louvet, in toasting of King Victor Emmanuel's appreciation of King Victor Emmanuel's friendly act in sending a squadron, and hoped the existing cordial relations would be drawn yet closer.

Before starting for Toulon, President Louvet visited the Russian Flagship, and conferred decorations on the Russian Admiral and Staff. Cordial toasts were exchanged.

London, 12th April.

President Louvet was visiting the Duke of Genoa yesterday, and had a long conversation on the subject of modern armaments. President Louvet said that to provoke war would be incurring the most terrible responsibility. The Duke of Genoa agreed with President Louvet, and added that visits such as the present ones increased cordiality between the nations.

President Louvet, together with the Ministers of Marine and the Foreign Department, afterwards made a trip in a submarine boat.

LANCASHIRE ENTERPRISE.

London, 12th April.

An expedition of cotton experts is proposed to the West African Colonies to teach the natives cotton growing.

INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

FIRE ON HIRE TRANSPORT AT BOMBAY.

Bombay, 8th April.

A fire broke out to-day on the transport

Cycle, belonging to the P. & O. Company, and lasted fifteen minutes. No one was hurt. The *Cycle* sails on Saturday with troops for England. The excitement in the harbour was considerable.

FAMINE ON THE BOMBAY SIDE.

Bombay, 9th April.

Famine has driven a large number of beggars

into Bombay. The city is being overrun with

thousands of them; and to-day fourteen hundred

of Kathiawar were captured and placed in

camp, preparatory to being sent home.

SANGUINARIE BATTLE IN ABARIA.

Bombay, 12th April.

The Times of India correspondent at Bushire

reports that a big battle has taken place in

Arabia. Ben Rashid surprised the Sheik of

Kowait at Hail, in the Province of Nejd, whilst

his army had given way to rejoicing over a

previous victory. The Sheik of Kowait's

forces were ambushed in a narrow valley, and

route. It is reported that five thousand were

slain. Ben Rashid's losses were small.

RUSSIAN TRADING STEAMER AT BUSHIRE.

The pioneer steamer of the new Russian line

to the Persian Gulf has arrived at Bushire.

She is too deep for the harbour bar, and had to

remain ten days till the tides rose. It is said

that the object of the visit is more of a politi-

cal than a mercantile character.

"CAPTAIN DANVERS" SWINDLER, AT KARACHI.

Bombay, 12th April.

A well-dressed European, giving the name

of Captain Danvers of the Royal Irish Rifles

has swindled a number of shopkeepers at

Kurashi by means of false cheques. One firm

notch cheques amounting to twelve hundred

rupees, and they were returned marked "no

account." The police are making inquiries in

different parts of India, and tradespeople

must discontinue the sale of tickets at once.

Any one hereafter found dealing contrarily to

this order will be dealt with without leniency.

Let all obey this proclamation.

The N.C. *Daily News* concludes by heartily

congratulating the Council on the success of

their well-maintained efforts to rid the Settle-

ment of this undoubted pest.

Do you know who gave the information on

which he was arrested?—Yes. I gave one state-

ment—the one you have just looked through

to Mr. May.

I suppose you gave Young Kun's statement

at the same time?—I did.

Was it in consequence of what Mr. May

said at the interview that Young Kun pleaded

guilty?—I advised him to plead guilty, but not

on account of what Mr. May said.

Was Young Kun told by you or by anybody

else that if he pleaded guilty he would get off

with a lighter sentence?—Not by me, nor by

anyone else, so far as I know.

You are aware of what the Chief Justice

said at the Sessions—that if it was found

on further investigation that Young Kun's

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA CEYLON.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

PLAQUE CASES SCATTERED ABOUT CAPE COLONY.

Isolated cases of plague are occurring in up-country districts in Cape Colony, traceable to the infection at Cape Town. A soldier at Hermon Camp, 45 miles from Cape Town, was attacked, but it is impossible to trace the source of the infection.

GENERAL OF COMMUNICATIONS.

RETURNING HOME.

General Sir W. Foresier-Walker is returning to England to command the Scottish District.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

MR. J. H. STEWART LOCKHART thanks his numerous Friends in this Colony for their kind enquiries, and regrets that his departure gives him no opportunity of replying personally to their good wishes.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [191]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 204.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [118]

THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. LONG RANGE CUP AND SPOONS.

THEIR will be a COMPETITION as above TO-DAY (SATURDAY), commencing at 2.45 P.M. Ranges—700 and 800 yards. Ten Shots and a Sighter at each Range. ALEX. MACKENZIE, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [191]

POSTPONEMENT.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HAIPHONG.

THE Company's Steamship "HAILOONG" will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 8 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 26th April, 1901. [113]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 3 P.M., instead of as previously advertised. This steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. For Freight or Passage apply to SIEMSEN & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [116]

ALTERATION.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "THALES," Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at DAYLIGHT, instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [114]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "BALLAART" FROM BOMBAY-COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo: From London, ex s.s. *Himalaya* and *Calcutta*. From Australia, ex s.s. *Britannia*. From Persian Gulf, ex s.s. *Jana*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 1st prox., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1901. [1]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains:—

Leading Articles:—Where Count von Waldsees has failed. France in South and West China. Arrestation in Hongkong.

Hongkong's Food Supply and the New Territory.

The Commercial Losses of the States in China.

The Crisis: Telegrams. Hongkong's Message to the Duke of York. Legislative Council.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Godol Administration in Hongkong.

Health of Hongkong in 1900.

Mosquitoes and Malaria.

Murder of British Sailors at Nagasaki.

Agrimundo's Proclamation to the Filipinos.

The Royal Visit to Singapore.

Annual Meeting of the City Hall.

Theatre Royal.

Concert at Kowloon Institute.

Cantons.

Swatow.

Tientsin.

Manila.

Northern Notes.

Correspondence.

Review.

Supreme Court.

The Vitriol Outrage.

Meeting of Justices.

Garrison Athletic Meeting.

Lawn Tennis.

Mr. John Roberts in Hongkong.

The Political Obstacles to Missionary Success in China.

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Subscription, \$12 per Annum, payable in advance; postage, 32.

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [1095]

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIIGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship "PREUSEN,"

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain E. Frehn, des has here with the outward German Mail about TUSSDAY, A.M., the 30th inst., will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [8]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONSANG."

Captain Weigall, will be despatched as above

WEDNESDAY, the 1st May, 1901, Commencing at 2.45 P.M., at

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A QUANTITY OF

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

(Particulars from Catalogue).

Also

A COTTAGE PIANO in good condition.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

On View from Tuesday, 30th April, p.m.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1901. [1107]

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THEATRE ROYAL.

UNDER the Direction of Mr. Robert

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Representative: Mr. Allan Hamilton.

LAST EIGHT NIGHTS

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OF THE

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Mr. Brough begs to announce that in conse-

quence of the excessive heat being so very

trying for both the Public and Performers, he

has decided upon the following arrangements

for the remainder of the Season, and he feels

confident that the public will appreciate the

reason for these alterations.

TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY) and MONDAY

NEXT, April 27th and 29th.

THE

SECOND MRS. TANQUERAY.

A play in Four Acts, by ARTHUR W. PINERO.

TUESDAY, April 30th (One Night only).

"THE BRIXTON BURGLARY."

An Original Farce Comedy in Three Acts,

by FRED W. SIDNEY.

WEDNESDAY, May 1st,

NO PERFORMANCE.

THURSDAY, May 2nd (One Night only).

"THE AMAZONS"

A Farce Comedy in Three Acts, by

ARTHUR W. PINERO.

FRIDAY, May 3rd,

NO PERFORMANCE.

SATURDAY, May 4th (One Night only).

"AN IDEAL HUSBAND"

A Comedy in Four Acts, by the late OSCAR

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MONDAY, May 6th (One Night only).

"SOWING THE WIND"

A Play in Four Acts, by SYDNEY GRUNDY.

TUESDAY, May 7th (One Night only).

"A VILLAGE PRIEST"

A Drama in Five Acts, by SYDNEY GRUNDY.

WEDNESDAY, May 8th,

LAST NIGHT OF THE SEASON,

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1901. [1081]

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HOUSE at MOUNT KELLETT SPUR, now in occupation of H. MATHESON Brown, Esq. Apply to—

LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [106]

TO LET.

A VERY spacious and well-ventilated EUROPEAN HOUSE with a GARDEN and TENNIS LAWN, No. 37, ROBINSON ROAD, known as "FERNSIDE" containing ROOMS, BATH ROOM and OUTHOUSES. Possession from 1st June, 1901. Apply to—

TAM TSZ KONG, 42, Bonham Strand West, Hongkong, 13th April, 1901. [1008]

TO LET IN MACAO.

NO. 15, RUA DA PEATA GRANDE. A VERY spacious and well-ventilated EUROPEAN HOUSE with a GARDEN, situated opposite the Governor's Residence. Apply to—

No. 17, SHELLY STREET, Hongkong, of No. 13, RUA DO PE ANTONIO, Macao, Hongkong, 26th April, 1901. [1111]

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With Immediate Possession.

SPACIOUS GODOWN in ZETLAND St., recently used as an Auction Room. Apply to—

HEUERMANN, HERBST & CO., 14, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 25th April, 1901. [1105]

TO LET.

HOUSE, No. 3, SEYMORE ROAD, now occupied by E. JONES, Esq., 3 Storied European Residence, containing 6 ROOMS and commanding a good View of the Harbour. Apply to—

DARTLY & CO., Agents, 19, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 25th April, 1901. [1104]

TO LET.

(From 1st April next).

TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS, with UPSTAIRS FLOORS for Dry Goods, Nos. 1 and 2, facing the Sea, and situated at BEL-CHER'S BAY on M. Lot 243. Apply to—

JOSEPH & CO., 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong, 26th March, 1901. [365]

TO LET.

"RAVENSHILL EAST." Apply to—

DEACON & HASTINGS, Hongkong, 24th April, 1901. [1095]

OFFICES TO LET.

2ND FLOORS of Nos. 62A and 64, and GROUND FLOOR No. 68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Apply to—

ON CHAI & CO., 2nd Floor No. 52, Gage Street, Hongkong, 16th January, 1901. [234]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in RIFTON TERRACE. Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD., Hongkong, 18th March, 1901. [188]

TO LET.

"STILLINGFLEET," PEAK ROAD. 6 ROOMED HOUSE from 1st May. Apply to—

ARATTOON V. APCAR & CO., Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [741]

TO LET.

NOS. 2 & 5, RICHMOND TERRACE— Immediate Possession. Apply to—

LAU CHU PAK, Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, 2nd April, 1901. [612]

TO LET.

"RICHMOND HOUSE," 11, ROBINSON ROAD. Possession from May 1st. Apply to—

L. T. M., Care of Office of this Paper, Hongkong, 22nd April, 1901. [1079]

TO LET.

TWO very spacious and well-ventilated TWO-STORIED EUROPEAN RESIDENCES with GARDENS and TENNIS LAWNS, each containing 6 ROOMS, BATH ROOMS and OUTHOUSES in MACDONNELL ROAD, on Land Lot No. 1500. Apply to—

TANG LEE TING, No. 18, Queen Street, Hongkong, or to—

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TO LET.

FURNISHED, "The EYLER," a spacious and grandly situated bungalow at Peak. For Particulars, apply to—

R. C. WILCOX, 8, Beaconsfield Arcade, Hongkong, 25th April, 1901. [333]

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NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE. Apply to—

J. W. NOBLE, Hongkong, 6th March, 1901. [661]

TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION NO. 2, SEYMORE ROAD. Apply to—

S. B., Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [740]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS, "GLENWOOD," 51, CAINE ROAD, Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [869]

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COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board. Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2, Pedder's Hill, Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

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FIFTH AVENUE FATALITY.

A TALE OF NEW YORK.

BY LIEUT.-COL. ANDREW HAGGARD, D. S. O. (Author of "Dad and I," "Under Crescent and Star," etc.)

(Continued.)

The old man drew my arm through his own and pressed it affectionately against his side. This last warning was too much for me, and the sight and presence of my father, who had been dead for so many years, touched me to the quick. I burst into tears.

"Oh, father, father!" I cried, "do not think me an undutiful son, I pray you, but I cannot obey your bidding. Oh, father, she whom I love more than life is waiting for me, and I must go to bid her farewell, a farewell for ever."

"Toots! toots! man, dinna grieve like you," replied my father, wiping his own eyes though the while. "I saw the lassie just now, and a winsome lassie she is, too, and greetin' hersel'; poor child, fit to break her bonny heartstrings. But, John, if ye go to see her the nicht ye'll be wi' me the morn and no wi' her."

"Then, father, I'll be with you the morn, for my life in this world is not worth living without her, and as I must lose her, I would not disappoint her or myself of this last chance for life itself."

"Then go, laddie, go!" a Farquharson should say to true to his love, it's in the traditions of the race. But gie us yer han', laddie, ye'll be wi' me the morn as sure as death, ay, as sure as death."

Wrapping my hand my father turned and left me. I know not which way he went for my eyes were blinded with tears. And then I went and saw my Gertrude, my poor dear Gertrude. What took place between us is too sacred to be written. But her last dear words to me were a prayer for my safety, for she said she felt somehow convinced that her letter to me had been opened by her maid, whom she suspected of being in the pay of the cursed Italian. And then she took the carnations and kissed them, and placed them in her bosom, all excepting one which she left upon mine. And now that I have written it all down I will go home, and we be to the foal that meets me face to face to-night, for I am ready. And if death comes, as these triple warnings seem to indeed foretell, well, let it come, for I am ready for death also. And in that case these are my last words—May God Almighty ever bless and protect dear Gertrude.

The day dawned in New York, and the newspapers appeared as usual, with more than the usual sensational head lines, for this is how the columns were:

Fifth Avenue Runs with Gore! Mourning, not Matrimony, for the Millionaire's Daughter!

Funeral, not Bridal Wreath! A Blooming Bride, Weeping Widow! The Assassin's Knifc Removes a Well-known Britisher!

An Italian Prince with two Myrmidons the Assassins. All three shot down by gallant John Farquharson, before he succumbs to dagger wounds!

He dies game outside the Waldorf. [THE END.]

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FOR	STEAMERS	
LONDON	"AJAX"	On 30th April.
LONDON	"ANTENOR"	On 14th May.
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G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1901.

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1901.

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FROM LONDON AND STRAITS:

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subject to rent.All claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th
prox., or they will not be recognized.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1901.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG."

having arrived from the above Ports, Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby informed
that their goods will be delivered from along-Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 4 P.M., the 27th instant, will be
landed at Consignees' risk and expense into
Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1901.

HONGKONG.
STEAMERS.

Anping, British str., 1,156, Barlow, April 26,

Chinese.

Aponrode, German str., 611, Lorenzen, April 1,

Chinese.

Ariake Maru, Jap. str., 2,103, Tasaka, April 15,

M. B. Kishia.

Athonian, British str., 2,444, Mowatt, April 8,

C. P. R. Co.

Bilharat, British str., 2,866, Field, April 26,

P. & N. S. Co.

Burnside, Amer. str., 1,400, Laffin, April 14,

U.S. Government.

Ceylon, British str., 2,637, Hayward, April 18,

P. & O. S. N. Co.

Chiway, Amer. str., 1,211, Sleeman, April 20,

Chinese.

Chowai, German str., 1,115, Morris, April 25,

Butterfield & Swire.

City of Peking, Amer. str., 3,218, Smith, April 24,

P. M. S. Co.

Clam, British steamer, 2,310, Eram, April 26,

Arnold, Karberg & Co.

Clavering, British str., 2,255, Barker, Mar. 30,

Doddell & Co., Limited.

Compania de Filipinas, Amer. str., 707, Orts,

April 3, Bradshaw & Co.

Daijum Maru, Jap. str., 899, Ogata, April 26,

M. B. Kishia.

Dentor, German str., 1,001, Frahm, April 23,

Siemens & Co.

Elita Nosack, Ger. str., 1,162, Braun, April 16,

East Asiatic Trading Co.

Esmeralda, British str., 936, Baxland, April 25,

Shewan, Tones & Co.

Fonsang, British str., 1,142, Mitchell, April 26,

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Glenloch, British str., 2,304, Mc Gillivray,

April 25, Dodwell & Co., Limited.

Haium, French steamer, 377, Merles, April 26,

A. R. Mary.

Haium, British str., 783, Bothwell, April 23,

Douglas, Loprank & Co.

Hangchow, British str., 939, Pearce, Mar. 21,

Butterfield & Swire.

Hans, German str., 1,250, Ziegler, April 22,

Chinese.

Hikosan Maru, Jap. str., 2,302, Hallstrom, April

23, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

Hongkong, French str., 882, Pannier, April 19,

A. R. Marti.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,
LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SHINANO MARU."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.Optional goods will be carried on unless in-
structions are given to the contrary before
4 P.M., TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 30th instant will be
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the
Godown and notice of same sent to this Office
before the 3rd prox., or claims in connection
therewith will not be recognized.Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless in-
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